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**DRAFT**

Title: Method of Detecting Procarboxypeptidase A  
and Carboxypeptidase A levels in  
Biological Fluids

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Dear Sir:

Amendment

This amendment is being filed in response to several telephone  
interviews conducted with the Examiner. Please enter the following  
amendments into the record.

In the Claims:

1. (amended) A method of enhancing sensitivity and  
specificity of an assay measuring enzymatic activity in a sample  
comprising measuring enzymatic activity in the sample [in the